GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:607
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FUNDS TO TERRORISTS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a)Whether the terrorists got funded through the Pakistan High Commission and the erstwhile Pak High Commissioner in India;

(b)if so, whether the Government have circumstantial evidence to prove that the activities of the Pakistan High Commission and the High Commissioner were against the spirit of Geneva Accord;

(c)if so, whether the Government propose to lodge protest against the Pakistan High commission and the erstwhile Pak High Commissioner in the UNO;

(d)if so, the details thereof; and

(e)if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b)As a part of its policy of instigating and abetting cross border terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of India, Pakistan sponsors terrorist activities in India. Funding of the terrorist organisations is a part of Pakistan`s elaborate infrastructure for terrorism.

(c), (d) & (e)India remains firm in its resolve to take all necessary measures to resist terrorism until it is crushed decisively. In the aftermath of December 13 attack on our Parliament Government announced a series of diplomatic measures against Pakistan including a reduction by 50% in the respective strengths of the High Commissions in the two countries and restriction on the movement of officials and staff of Pakistan High Commission in New Delhi.India remains firmly committed to the path of dialogue and reconciliation, which is in keeping with the Simla Agreement and the Lahore Declaration.